



News from your city



OUT & ABOUT

Meet with the Mayor. Mayor Jan Mills invites residents to stop by and chat with her about any topic, as Sheryl Kenny, pictured above, did.

Tuesday, August 7

4:30 to 5:30 p.m.

Happy Hollow Park, Shelter No. 1

Wednesday, August 22

3:30 to 4:30 p.m.

Sagamore West Farmers' Market

Head for the Trails, Parks. West Lafayette's trail system now totals 17.44 miles, with opening of the Tapawingo Drive extension. And our newest park, Lincoln Park at 255 Lincoln St., is now open. The park has a shelter, picnic tables and playground equipment.

Fire Service Expanded. This month, the City assumes emergency response and fire service from a temporary facility in Cumberland Park for properties in the 1,173 acres annexed last August. Three new firefighters are joining the staff. Spring and summer meetings about a permanent site drew great response, now being evaluated. Another public meeting, date to be set, will be held.

www.city.west-lafayette.in.us Your City website is a great source of information, from parks to our history, tips for relocating, council information and more. You can also pay or appeal parking tickets online and pay wastewater bills.

CREATING A CONNECTED COMMUNITY

Whether you're new to West Lafayette or a long-time resident, the beginning of school each year signals a time for a new start and neighborly connections, says Mayor Jan Mills.

"This year, that's especially true, with France Córdova taking the helm at Purdue University and Rocky Killion joining West Lafayette Community School Corp. as superintendent," she says. "We welcome every new resident and student and invite them to get to know their wonderful West Lafayette neighbors."

The City of West Lafayette kicks off its welcome on Tuesday, August 21, with "Meet and Greet," when volunteers will go door-to-door in university-area neighborhoods, introducing themselves and delivering city information packets. If you'd like to volunteer along with the Community Partnership Teams, gather in front of the Purdue Visitor Information Center on Northwestern at 6:30 p.m.

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Visit Festivals, Farmers' Market

In September, the City hosts two fun events—Global Fest on Saturday, September 1, and Art on the Wabash on Sunday, September 16 (details inside). And the Sagamore West Farmers' Market continues every Wednesday from 3 to 6:30 p.m. through October 24 in Cumberland Park, also a community gathering place.

Get Involved in Your Neighborhood

The City invites you to participate in your neighborhood association. Thirteen associations are active throughout the city. If there isn't one in your neighborhood, how about starting one? Contact Allen Grady, 775-5160, agrady@west-lafayette.in.us for more information.

This fall, work continues on the proposed Good Neighbor Ordinance, clarifying, yard, noise and other guidelines that will help West Lafayette continue to be a vibrant, top-rated place to live.

"We're a dynamic community with an enviable quality of life," Mills says. "We invite new and long-time residents to enjoy our festivals, trails, parks and the many opportunities that come with living here."



Global Fest, featuring a sampling of the world's great foods and entertainment, returns Saturday, September 1, to Morton Community Center.



Dozens of area artists will bring their latest creations to Art on the Wabash, Sunday, September 16, at Tapawingo Park.



Trimmed bushes and hedges help keep West Lafayette attractive and safe, so Jerry Shively pitches in by clearing the sidewalk area in the Ravinia neighborhood.

JOIN THE COMMUNITY FUN

Celebrate World Cultures

West Lafayette is home to many cultures and ethnicities, which makes the 13th Annual Global Fest a rich experience. Foods, crafts and entertainment fill the agenda.

Global Fest will also celebrate the 250th birthday of Frenchman Marquis de Lafayette, our city's namesake. At noon, Mayor Jan Mills will sign a proclamation, and Global Fest will host a performance of *Marquis de Lafayette and George Washington*.

Global Fest Saturday, September 1
Morton Community Center 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
222 N. Chauncey

Get Inspired by Art

The spotlight is on creativity and area artists at Art on the Wabash: A Local Artists' Fair. Enjoy the diverse talent and perhaps take something home.

A kinetic sculpture on the Wabash Heritage Trail at North River Road also will be dedicated that day. It's a gift from the West Lafayette Parks and Recreation Foundation.

The event is hosted by the City, Parks and Recreation and Morton Community Center with technical assistance from Tippecanoe Arts Federation and sponsorship from KitchenArt.

Art on the Wabash: Sunday, September 16
A Local Artists' Fair 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Tapawingo Park
Tapawingo Dr. and Brown St.

Shop at the Farmers' Market

Fresh produce, baked goods, popcorns, meat, canned goods, jewelry and crafts from 29 vendors are on sale at:

Sagamore West Farmers' Market Wednesdays through
Cumberland Park October 24, 3 to 6:30 p.m.
Salisbury St. and Kalberer Rd.



Every Wednesday

LET'S BE GOOD NEIGHBORS

Changing times call for changing ordinances. One example: the new backyard fire pits now so popular, but not allowed under our city's current ordinance banning open fires. Another: the risk of West Nile virus, calling for a need to eliminate standing water.

Ordinance Revisions

These are a couple of the proposals in the Good Neighbor Ordinance, drafted in the spring and the topic at various meetings. Also under discussion: noise, mowing, storage, disorderly houses, electrical service and smoke detectors.

Because ordinance revisions affect all residents, the City is waiting until students return to proceed with this.

Information is posted on the City's website, www.city.west-lafayette.in.us. If you'd like more information, contact Allen Grady, 775-5160, agrady@city.west-lafayette.in.us.

Recycling Committee

Separately, the West Lafayette Recycling Committee is being revived to review and update policies. If you're interested in serving, contact Mayor Jan Mills at 775-5100, mayor@city.west-lafayette.in.us.

Come Home to West Lafayette

YOUR CITY AT WORK

Plenty of Parking. A handy new hilltop-to-hilltop parking brochure is available free at City Hall, West Lafayette Public Library, Purdue Visitor Information Center and at www.city.west-lafayette.in.us. Its map includes on-street spaces, parking lots and seven parking garages.

Sewer Work. Installation of new sanitary and storm water sewers is progressing well on Salisbury from State to Columbia and on South. Also, work on the first phase of the Western Interceptor is nearly complete, and the Barberry Sewer Lift Station upgrade is moving along.

Safety on Salisbury. New curbs, sidewalks, universal access ramps, retaining walls, landscaped medians and bicycle lanes are complete on Salisbury from Robinson to Riley. The project also included upgraded school zone flashers at Happy Hollow. Phase 2, from Riley to Rainbow, gets underway next spring.

Tapawingo Extended. Three two-year-olds from Tippecanoe County Child Care at Wabash Landing were the first drivers June 5 on the Tapawingo extension from State to South River Road. It's the first step in a new master transportation plan with Purdue University.

Cumberland Under Review. About 100 residents attended meetings on reconstruction of Cumberland from Sagamore West to Soldiers Home Road, reviewing work by the volunteer Community Planning Committee, city engineering staff and The Schneider Corp. Suggestions are being reviewed. Pending consensus, design work could begin this fall.

Business Alliance Tour. The Sagamore West Area Business Alliance is hosting its annual business tour Tuesday, August 14, at 4 p.m. Meet at Speaker's Travel, 1089 Sagamore West. Subway Restaurant, 1056 Sagamore West, will be the other stop. Open to all. For information, contact Beverly Shaw, bshaw@city.west-lafayette.in.us, 775-5160.

THUMBS UP

Trails Award. West Lafayette Parks and Recreation received the 2007 Trails Award from the Coalition for Living Well After 50.

Beautification Winners. Tipmont REMC, which funded daffodils on Sagamore West, received the May Beautification Award. In June, a yard filled with impatiens, bird baths, hostas and hydrangea earned Joan Stewart, 2224 N. Salisbury, the award. The July winners were Asako and Yuichi Iikubo, 2825 Barlow, whose backyard is an eye treat for Lommel Park visitors; their garden includes a water feature, rocks, weeping cherry tree and abundant plantings.

City Wins EPA Award. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency presented West Lafayette with the Performance and Innovation in the State Revolving Loan Fund Creating Environmental Successes (PISCES) award for its environmental stewardship, the first city in Indiana to receive the award and one of only 30 given this year. It recognizes the city's innovative method used to treat fats, oils and grease and the co-generation facility.

Wastewater Treatment Training. Staff completing the Advanced Wastewater Treatment course this spring, helping them prepare for state certification testing: Jim Bjork, Bob Busch, Adam Downey, Mike French, Mark Jansma, Jerome Mansfield, Randy McKenzie, David McKinley, Mark Moore, Lisa Murfitt, Steve Nelson, Andrea Njuguna, T.J. Overman, Joshua Philyaw, John Poore, Thadd Snedeker and Phil Wright.

Celery Bog Funding. The U.S. Department of Agriculture Natural Resources Conservation Service awarded \$4,521, a Wildlife Habitat Improvement Program grant, to Parks and Recreation for work at the Celery Bog Nature Area.

Police Complete RAD Training. Six West Lafayette police officers completed Rape Aggression Defense Systems training in June, largely funded by \$8,100 from the Indiana Criminal Justice Institute. Once equipment is purchased, classes will be offered to community women.

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Joan Stewart received the June Beautification Award.



WEST LAFAYETTE WINS WITH RECYCLING

New Record Set

West Lafayette is on track to top last year's record level of recycling, reports Public Works Director David Downey. Through May 31, 2007, West Lafayette recycling totaled 546.64 tons. That's 31.43 tons more than the first five months of 2006.

It earned the city more than \$28,750 in revenues and saved more than \$18,700 in landfill tipping fees so far this year.



Carmen Holliman, pictured, frequently takes recyclables to the free, 24/7 City Recycling Center, 705 S. River Road.



House sitting for her daughter includes recycling, says Mary Ryan.

Recycling Easy

To recycle:

- 1 Fill red curbside bins with separated bags of cans, plastic, jars, flattened cardboard, newspapers and mixed paper; extra bins available for \$6.50.
- 2 Drop off mixed-paper recyclables the first weekend of the month at Lommel Park and the third weekend at LaGrange Street baseball field in University Farm.
- 3 Drop off oil filters, antifreeze, motor oil, batteries and other recyclables 24/7 at the City Recycling Center, 705 S. River Road.

Coming the end of September to your mailbox: an updated schedule and recycling information.

Questions about recycling? Call 775-5242.



Art on the Wabash September 16



Head for Global Fest September 1

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